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I am writing to let you know how I feel about the Microsoft antitrust case. Nine states have already negotiated a settlement with Microsoft and the Federal Government should follow suit. There is no need to continue spending money that could be better spent in getting our economy back in order. Put simply, letting Microsoft do their business will help the technology industry and the entire economy. Microsoft has done so much for our country and pursuing further litigation will only punish their efforts.

I am retired and use computers very regularly. Like so many Americans, I would be lost without Microsoft. Their products are very easy to learn and use and they've brought technology into the hands of everyday people. Bill Gates created a virtually new industry back in the 1980's and today I think we owe it to him for making the technology industry what it is today. He and his company made some very smart business solutions and other companies are just jealous of their success. I urge you to please stop this charade and allow Microsoft to concentrate on their business. Please don't draw this suit out further by holding a Judiciary hearing to investigate. Let Microsoft get back to business and everyone else get on with their lives.  
Sincerely  
Russell C. Yannello